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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated September 18, 1995 in Serial No. 08/335,981, applicant responds as follows:

The Examiner's rejection of claims 1-5, 9, 12, 15, 19-20 and 23-24 as anticipated by the Buese '159 patent is traversed. The Buese '159 reference cited herein teaches a fiberglass fabric substrate coated with a hardenable liquid resin. In order to overcome a ravel problem, the fiberglass fabric is first coated with a binder "in the lowest amount necessary to prevent ravel." It is suggested that a dye can be incorporated (column 5, lines 2-10) into the binder so that the